

## Message Text

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R 081531Z MAY 78

FM AMEMBASSY NICOSIA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7729  
INFO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV  
AMEMBASSY AMMAN  
AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY ATHENS  
AMEMBASSY ANKARA

C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 1177

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: ASEC, PINT, CY  
SUBJECT: CYPRIOT POLICE ALERT TO POSSIBLE PALESTINIAN  
TERRORIST ATTACK

1. TWO LOCAL NEWSPAPERS PROMINENTLY REPORTED ON MAY 8  
THAT GOC SECURITY FORCES HAVE BEEN PLACED ON ALERT TO  
PREVENT PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS FROM LAUNCHING ATTACKS  
DESIGNED TO FORCE CYPRUS TO RELEASE THE TWO PALESTINIAN  
TERRORISTS WHO ARE BEING TRIED FOR THE MURDER OF AL SIBAI.

2. RSO MET WITH ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE CYPRUS INFORMATION  
SERVICE, FRIXOS YIANGOU TO CONFIRM THESE REPORTS. HE  
ADVISED THAT ON MAY 5 HE WAS DIRECTED BY MINISTER OF  
DEFENSE AND INTERIOR VENIAMIN TO INTENSIFY POLICE  
SURVEILLANCE AND MONITORING EFFORTS OF ALL SUSPICIOUS  
MOVEMENTS OF ARABS. YIANGOU FURTHER STATED THAT THIS  
ORDER WAS PROMPTED BY VENIAMIN'S RECEIPT OF INFORMATION  
THAT THE PALESTINIANS WERE PLANNING TO MOUNT AN  
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OPERATION AGAINST AN OFFICIAL OF THE ISRAELI EMBASSY  
TO GAIN THE RELEASE OF THE TWO TERRORISTS ACCUSED OF  
MURDERING AL SIBAI. COMMENT. YIANGOU DID NOT REVEAL  
TO RSO THE MINISTER'S SOURCE OF INFORMATION, BUT IT  
IS PRESUMED TO HAVE COME FROM THE ISRAELIS. END COMMENT.  
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